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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, OISD

SUBJECT: Request for Research Study on the Social National Party of Lebanon

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1. The [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are in need of a background study on the Social National Party (formerly known as the Parti Populaire Syrien and the Syrian Social National Party) of Lebanon. It is requested therefore that OISD undertake a study of subject political grouping, covering the following main points of interest:

a. Organization--President, Supreme Council, membership, election procedure and results, etc.;

b. Composition of the group, particularly its confessional make-up and distribution;

c. Ideology and current orientation;

d. Significance as a political force within Lebanon and within the Fertile Crescent area in terms of activities and potential, and the attitudes of other (political) forces toward it.

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